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(54) High-frequency, high-leakage-reactance transformer.

(57) A high-frequency, high-leakage-reactance transformer has a section of low-permeability magnetic material disposed between planar primary and secondary windings. The low-permeability section provides a controlled flux path for the leakage flux between the primary and secondary windings. Excessive eddy currents are thus prevented from flowing in the planar windings, and high-efficiency operation is achieved. The high-leakage-reactance transformer can function both as a transformer and an inductor, thereby reducing the size of, for example, a resonant power supply or a discharge lamp ballast.

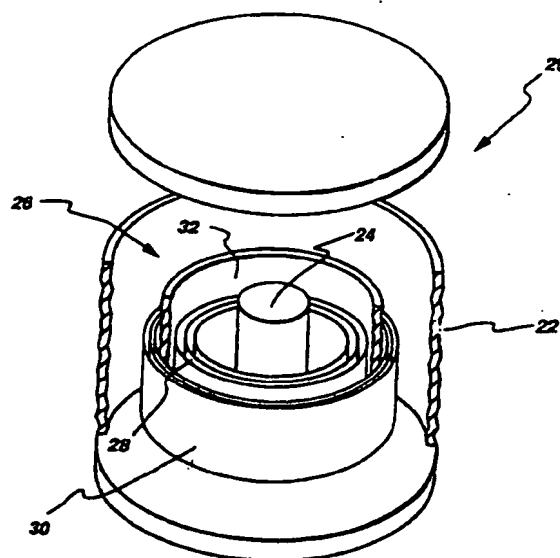


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